

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The printing paper is fed in tight contact with the surface of a belt 10 laid between a pair of rollers 8 (only one of which is shown). Each print head 1 is disposed in a body case 11 movably in a direction perpendicular to the surface of the belt 10 on which the paper is mounted. At the time of carrying out printing, the print head 1 is moved to an ink ejection position close to the printing paper ~~as shown in Fig. 2.~~^{paper}. At the time of maintenance, the print head 1 is moved to a standby position in which a predetermined space is formed between the print head 1 and the printing paper and which is more distant from the belt 10 than the ink ejection position, as shown in Fig. 1.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A mounting base 12 which can be inserted into this space is provided. As shown in ~~Fig. 3,~~^{Fig. 2,} the mounting base 12 is supported on a pair of guide bars 14 and 16 through a plurality of sliding members 18 so that the mounting base 12 can move forward/backward linearly. The guide bars 14 and 16 are disposed perpendicularly to the direction of feeding the printing paper (direction perpendicular to the paper surface of Fig. 1). A belt 19 is laid in parallel with the guide bars 14 and 16. The mounting base 12 and the belt 19 are fastened to each other through a lock member 20.

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended Abstract.